

EXTRA CRISP MAY NOT BE SENATOR. "THAT IS JUDGES TO NOW COMES THE GOLDEN AGE IN OUR POLITICS. **EXTRA**

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SAGE'S JURY IS OUT.

Choate Scores the Aged Finance

in Summing Up.

Diagram of the Office Admitted to

To-Day's Proceedings.

The trial of William R. Laidlaw's \$50,000 damage suit against Russell Sage was continued to-day.

Yesterday's proceedings concluded with Clerk Frank Robinson in the witness chair. He testified on direct examination that Laidlaw had not been used by Mr. Sage as a shield against the bomb of Dynamiter No. 9999. But on cross

the young man admitted that, during a brief period, when he was not observing what was going on in the office, was possible for Mr. Sage to have used Laddies as a shield without Robinson

Col. James, of Sage's counsel, wants to take the broker's clerk over the court again to-day, but Justice Patterson would not permit it, saying that there was no case.

Witness Langhaar was recalled on matter of detail, and then Charles V. Osborn, cashier in Russell Sage's office was called to testify to the fact that Robinson was there, as he had stated.

Mr. Choate said this was admitted and Col. James withdrew the question. Mr. Choate asked Mr. Osborn how long he had been cashier for Sage. Col. James objected, as the witness had been withdrawn. Mr. Osborn said since 1883. Mr.

Mr. Choate glibbed him a little for hastily closing while he had a witness on the stand.

Mr. Osborn testified that he had seen Laidlaw in the office many times as messenger for Broker Bloodgood, but like Mr. Sage, the cashier had never heard his name till after the explosion. Mr. Osborn was laid up in the hospital by the explosion for ten days, although

Mr. Choate recalled Mr. Sage to an
"Who was that Mr. James who was
in your office at the time of the explosion?"
Mr. Sage said he was a resident
Chattanooga, Tenn.

"Where is he now?"
 "He is in the city."
 "Is he in court?"
 "He has been. I don't know."
 "Look around and see if you can discover him."

Mr. Sage looked at the big thermometer on the wall that tells how over

heated the chamber in the Tweed Courthouse is most of the time, but reveals nothing of the thickness of the atmosphere nor of the pneumonia-laden draught that came from every attempt to ventilate the room.

"I don't see him," said Uncle Sam Goodale. "I think he will be in."

Mr. Choate got Mr. Sage to hold to the light the diagram of the S. offices, made at Mr. Sage's direction. Then he asked Mr. Sage if the diagram did not show erasures, and an evident change in the lines. But Mr. Sage

Rush Taggart denied that he had produced the diagram as a correct diagram of the offices.

Col. James was on his feet in an instant, and a flush ran up and down his face as he looked at the man whose eyes till that moment had been fixed on him from the doorway.

He objected, as Mr. Choate had asked for a communication between lawyer and client.

changed. There was much objection but Mr. Choate managed to get before the jury in the form of a statement of the diagram, though not in evidence, had been prepared for use in the form trial; that it was drawn so as to indicate that James sitting in the adjoining room could not have seen what transpired.

This statement resulted in getting a diagram in evidence, and Mr. Tamm

was cross-examined by Choate, testified that the changes in the program were made because in the original the desk had been located too far back in the room. At this Mr. Choate let the witness go, with that inimitable smile which says on Mr. Choate's face that he has "managed to show up to the ju-

X. That concluded the evidence on both sides, and Col. James prepared to "wrap up" by moving for a dismissal of the case, because the evidence showed

Laidlaw's injuries were caused by unlawful act of Norcross, for whom Sage was not responsible; that Sage was not guilty of any neglect of his duty to Laidlaw; that the evidence did not show that Laidlaw was moved from a place of safety to a place of danger; that

falls to show that Laidlaw would have been just as much injured had not been used as a buffer by Sage; there was no wrongful intent of Sage and for other reasons numbering two.

These being denied he asked that jury be instructed to find for the defendant. Denied.

Col. James then addressed the jury Justice Leslie W. Russell, of the Lawrence District, sat beside Judge Patterson during Col. James's speech.

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